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The ASHLEY Family
of Ontario, U.C.

(Data largely from "Pioneer Life on the Bay of Quinte")

1788-1872

Simeon Ashley, being of English descent and loyal to the British Crown, after the Revolutionary War left his native Massachusetts and came to Upper Canada with his wife the former Mary Nash. ¹⁸⁰⁰ Apparently they married awhile in Fredericksburg where their second eldest son William was born in 1808. A few years later Simeon Ashley and family settled for a time at Carnifton, and then about 1821-24 we find them at Foxboro. William Ashley acquired lot 2 in concession 5 of Thurlow, on which during the succeeding years the larger part of the village of Foxboro developed into a thriving trading center. Here his father and mother successfully operated a hotel for some years.

About 1835 William Ashley erected a shop and opened a wagon and carriage manufacturing establishment which flourished for many years. It was later continued by his son Charles Ashley.

Simeon and Mary Ashley raised a large family, as shown below:

1. Simeon Ashley who married Lavinia Scriber, settled in Huntingdon and had:- Washburn, John William, Simeon, George, David, Matilda, Catharine, Anne and Sabra
2. ¹⁸⁰⁸ William Ashley m. ¹⁸¹⁹⁻¹⁹⁰⁵ ~~Amelia~~ ^{over} ~~Lake~~, settled in Thurlow, and had:- Charles, Ruth, Lorena, and Egbert
3. ¹⁸²¹ ¹⁹⁰⁰ Melissa Ashley m. Dr. John King Fairfield, settled in Thurlow, and had:- John K. Fairfield 1842-1871; Willie 1842-1842; Libbie 1849-1851 (Melissa born 1821, died 1900; Dr. Fairfield b. 1810, died 1854)
4. Matilda Ashley m. 1) John Hilton, 2) Cyrus Loucks, 3) Josiah Markham, had:- John Hilton, Simon Hilton, Alexander Hilton, and Harford Loucks
5. ¹⁸²³ ¹⁹⁰¹ Mary Ashley m. Benjamin Reid, settled in Thurlow, and had:- Melissa, Ida, Artimesia, Catharine, Irene, Phoebe (Benjamin was son of Salyer Reid and Deborah Ketcheson)
6. ¹⁸²⁵ ¹⁹⁴¹ Chauncey Ashley d. um. ~~Rebecca~~
7. Margaret Ashley m. Mr. Fraser, settled Joliet, Ill.
8. ¹⁸³⁰ ¹⁹⁰⁹ Catharine Ashley m. John R. Sills, settled in Huntingdon, and had:- Chauncey, Nelson, Harford, ~~Minerva~~, ~~Ellen~~, ~~Nelson~~, ~~Morris~~, ~~Sylvester~~, ~~Ryerson~~
9. James Ashley d. um. ¹⁸³⁴⁻¹⁸³⁴
10. Amie Ashley m. W.H. Ross, settled in Thurlow, and had:- Leslie, Algernon, Alva, Alfretta, William, Clement, Jennie
11. ¹⁸³⁸ ¹⁹²⁰ Hiram Ashley m. 1) Phoebe Ann Mott, 2) Mary Agnes MacIndoe, and had:- Chauncey, Wellington, Bidwell, Esther A., Leslie Harford and Lucy Irene
12. (1864) Chauncey m. Sarah Elizabeth Graham and had:- Phoebe Kathleen, Harry Kenneth, and Mabel Helen Wellington m. Florence M. Weese, settled in Lindsay Bidwell d.y. Esther Awilda um settled Rochester Leslie Harford ~~(d)~~ settled Lindsay m. Amie Maude Faullmer 1884-1957 ~~(sister of Mrs D.C. Gay, Foxboro)~~ left son Douglas of St Mary's Lucy Irene settled Foxboro
13. ¹⁸⁴⁰ ¹⁹¹⁹ Harford Ashley m. Sabra Vanderwater settled Foxboro and had:- (dau. of Henry & Margaret A. Marshall Vanderwater) Bessie m. Alexander Longwell (son of Barnabus & Jane McLaren Longwell, Grandson of John & Margaret Lake Longwell, both children of Loyalists) Lottie m. George Raynor Lucy ¹⁸⁷⁶⁻¹⁸⁸¹
14. Esther Ashley m. Henry Y. Canniff, settled Belleville. No issue.
15. Cynthia Ashley m. Albert Loucks, settled Thurlow & had:- Lillie.

¹
d Simeon Ashley son of Simeon S., grandson of Simeon
13 Jan 1957 and
Emma Jane Hawley.

- 1 Lavinia m William Kelly.
- 2 Hiram b 1866. 1) Mary Tufts, 2) Edna May Ketcheson
- 3 Nina 1) Robert Robinson, 2) Joe Dickens
- 4 Elizabeth James Lake
- 5 George W. Bushnell
- 6 Harford. Eva —
- 7 Charles Algion Reid
- 8 Maude James Owens
- 9 Florence George Harris

1838
Lorena 1915 (daug of William Ashley) m. W. Ward
Mary Virginia 1862-1881
Egbert A. 1864-1931
Josephine 1871-1875

Annie Ashley 1846-1928 m. Albert Horton 1844-1897

Delbert Floyd Ashley 1881-1957 son of Charles
m Bernadette Charbonneau
Left widow, son Caniff & sister Mrs Wm (Estella) Boyd.

Dr Fairfield - ^{melissa} Ashley

^{Wm} Ashley = Amelia Lake

Chas = Cornett,
Ashley, ^{has} ^{children}

Wife by her
Grand = Grand
daughter to
Mr Warranaker.



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Sons & Daughters of U.E.

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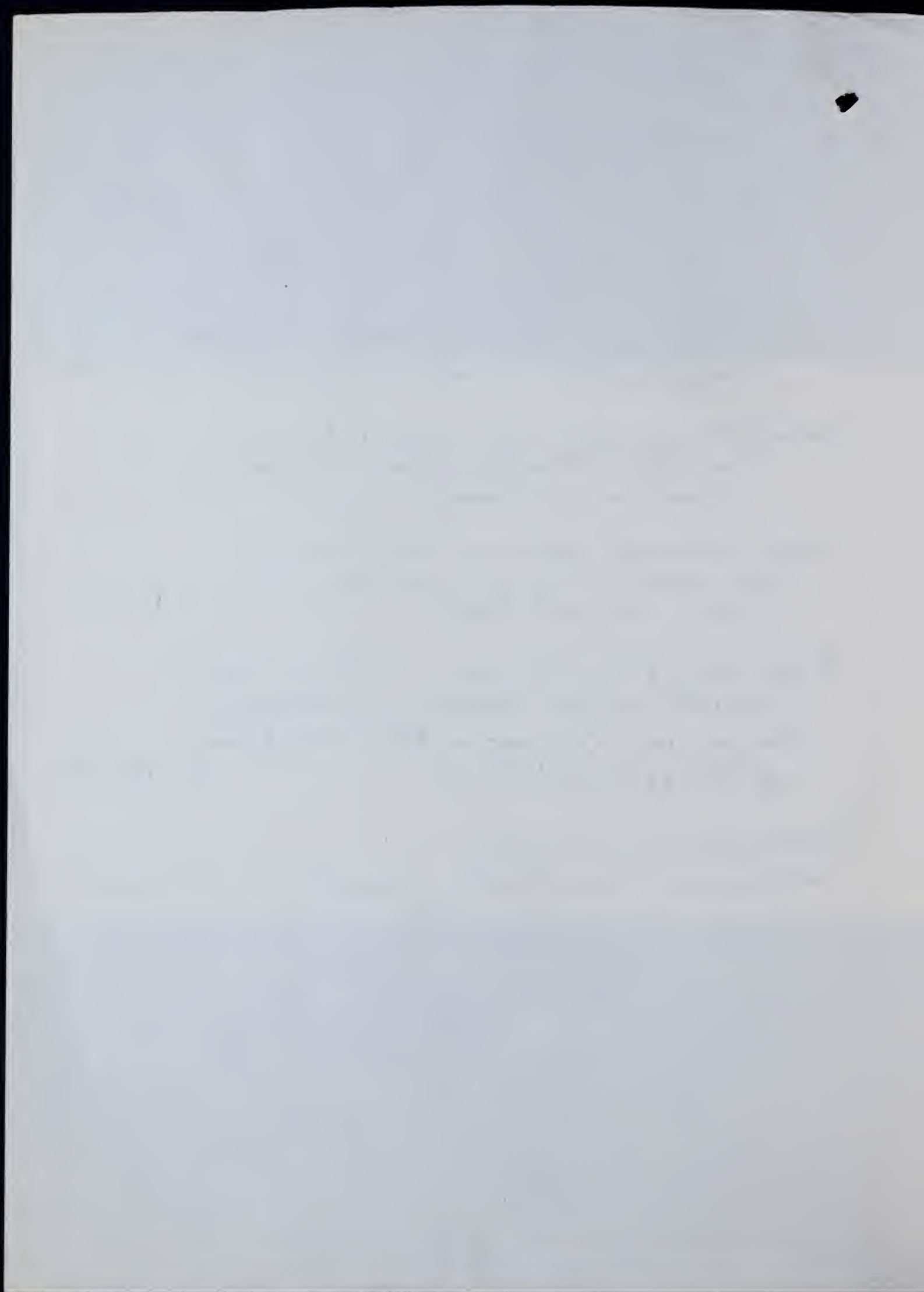
William Ashley, of the Town of Kingston, mar. 6.7.1788
Margaret, dau. of ——— Buck, U.E. of Kingston O.C. 16.6.1807

John Ashley, of Kingston, mar. Elizabeth, bp. 7.2.1802,
dau. of John Burnett^{U.E.} of Pittsburg & Kingston, and
Elizabeth, dau. of Matthew Van Order U.E. O.C. 26.7.1820

George Ashley, of Kingston, mar. Elizabeth, dau. of
George Harpell, U.E., of Kingston, and Margaret, dau.
of Nathan & Elizabeth Stalker O.C. 16.6.1819.

Scriver, George, of Fredericksburg, mar. Catharine Pickle on
3 Mar., 1789, dau. of John Pickle, Sr., of Fredericksburg.
d. Larina, born 24 Feb., 1810; mar. 8 March, 1831, Simon
Ashley, of Fredericksburg O.C. 11 Apr., 1833.

Gerolamy, James, of Marysburg.
d. Ann, mar. William Ashley, of Kingston O.C. 2 March 1816



illegitimate by Ruth Cottier

Simson Ashley = Mary Nash

illegitimate by Margaret Rombrough

Wm Henry
bp
25.9.1808

Simson
24.6.1810
Eg. 3.1831
Laura
5.11.1810
6.24.1810

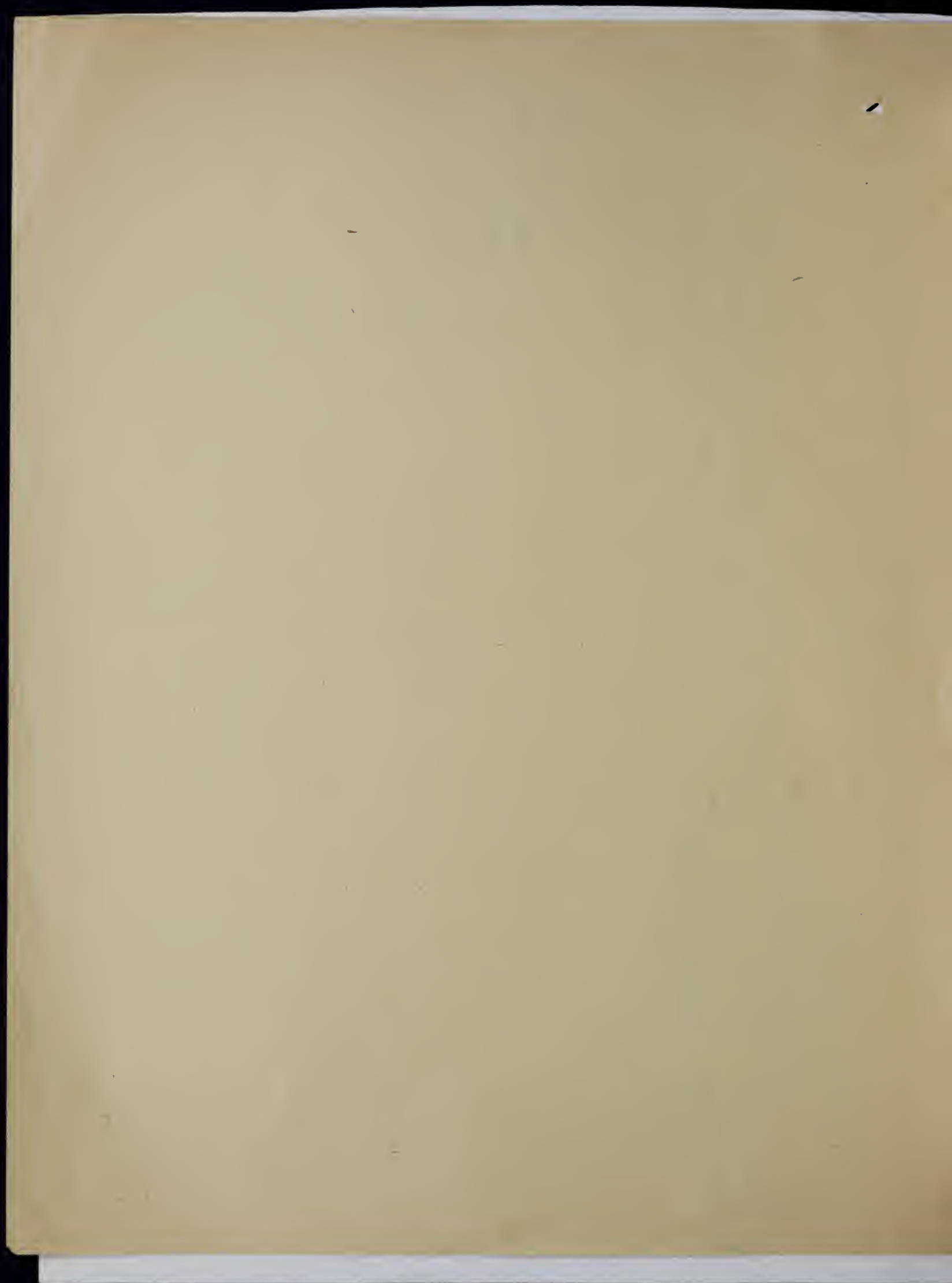
Mollison Malinda
= Dr. Geo. L. = Geo. Hallin
Fairfield = Lying Louisa
= Joseph Workless

many children
d. w.m. = Mr. Fraser

Margaret Catherine
d. w.m. = Geo. R. Silles

James Anne Maria Harriet Harford
d. w.m. = W.H. Ross = Photo Ann = Geo = Nabors
= Mary Agnes
MacIndoe

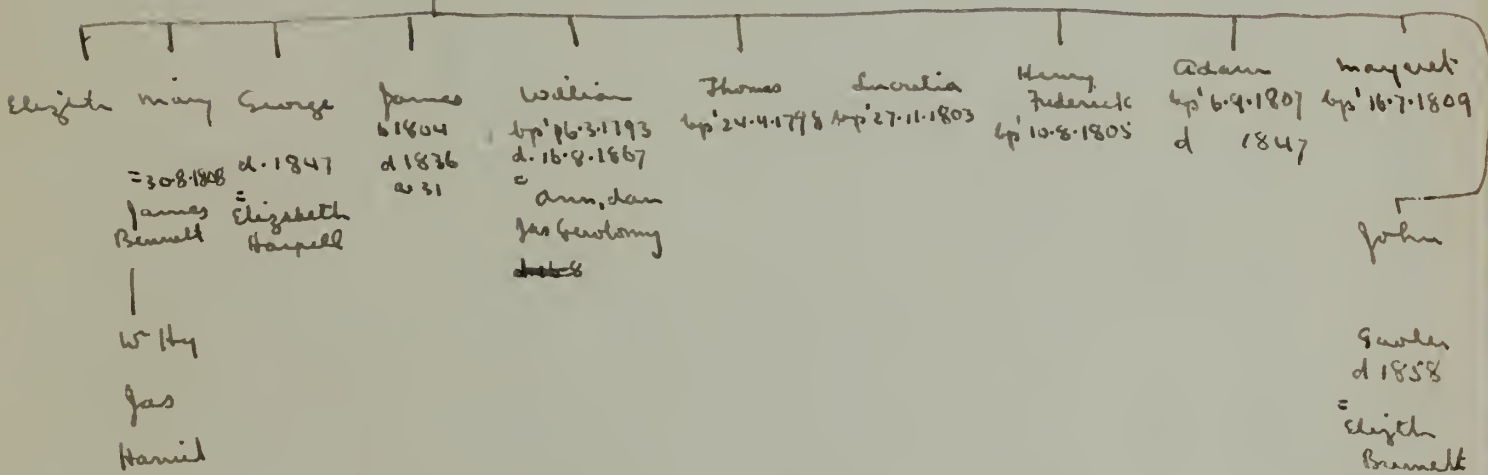
Cynthia Esther
= Albert
Louisa
= Henry
Anny



Pioneer Life on the Bay of Quinte Ashley.

pp 26-9, (96), 115, 249, 374, 692, 721.2.3, 845.

William = 7.6.1788 Margaret Buckle
Ashley





Bennett 1
Buck 1.5

Collier 2
Cottier 2

Fleming 1

Gerollamy 4

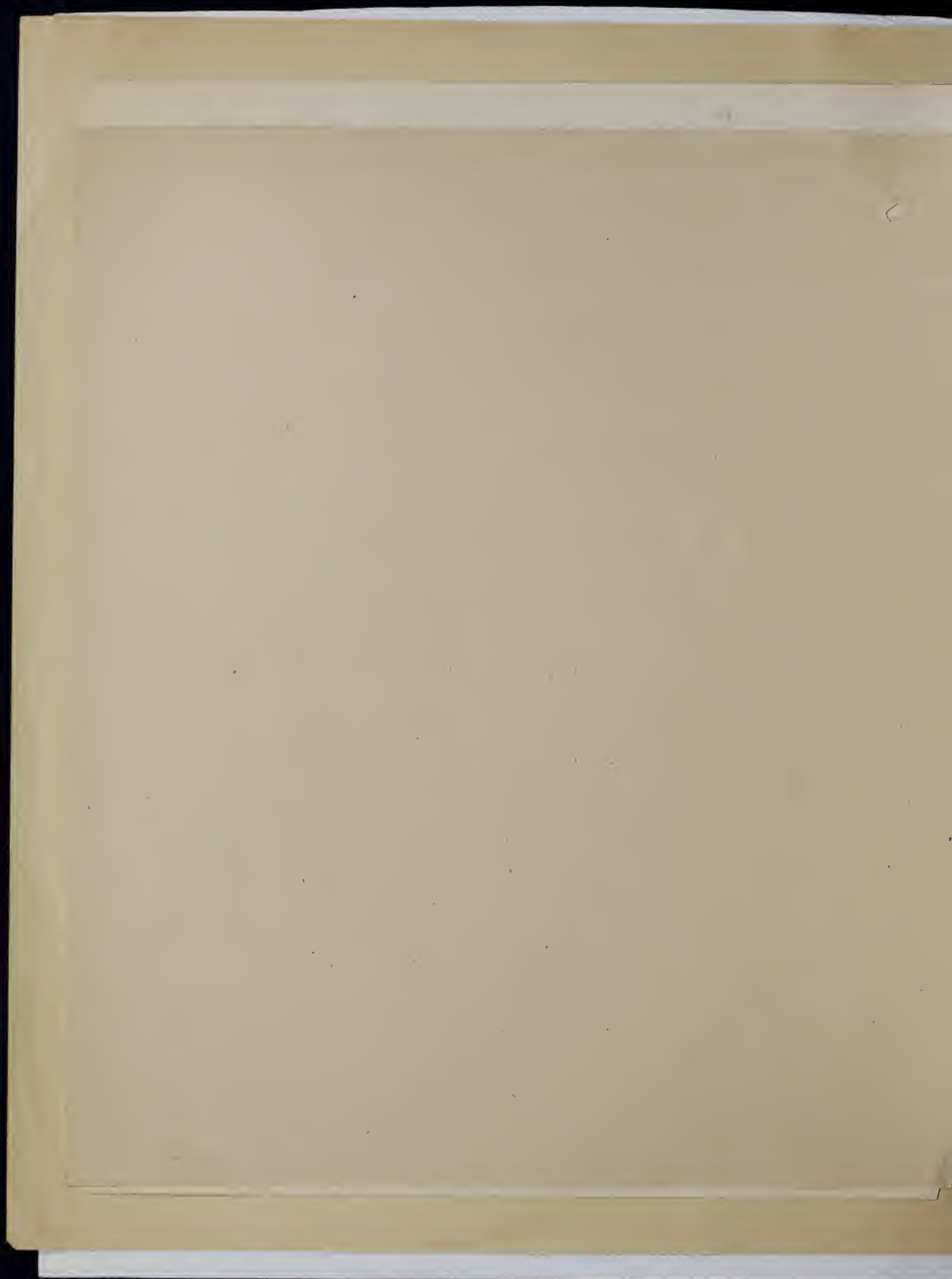
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Mantel 1

Rombough 1

Stuart 2



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Canniff's History of the Settlement of Upper Canada

William Ashley, sen., was born in the city of London, England, in the year 1749, and joined the army at an early age.

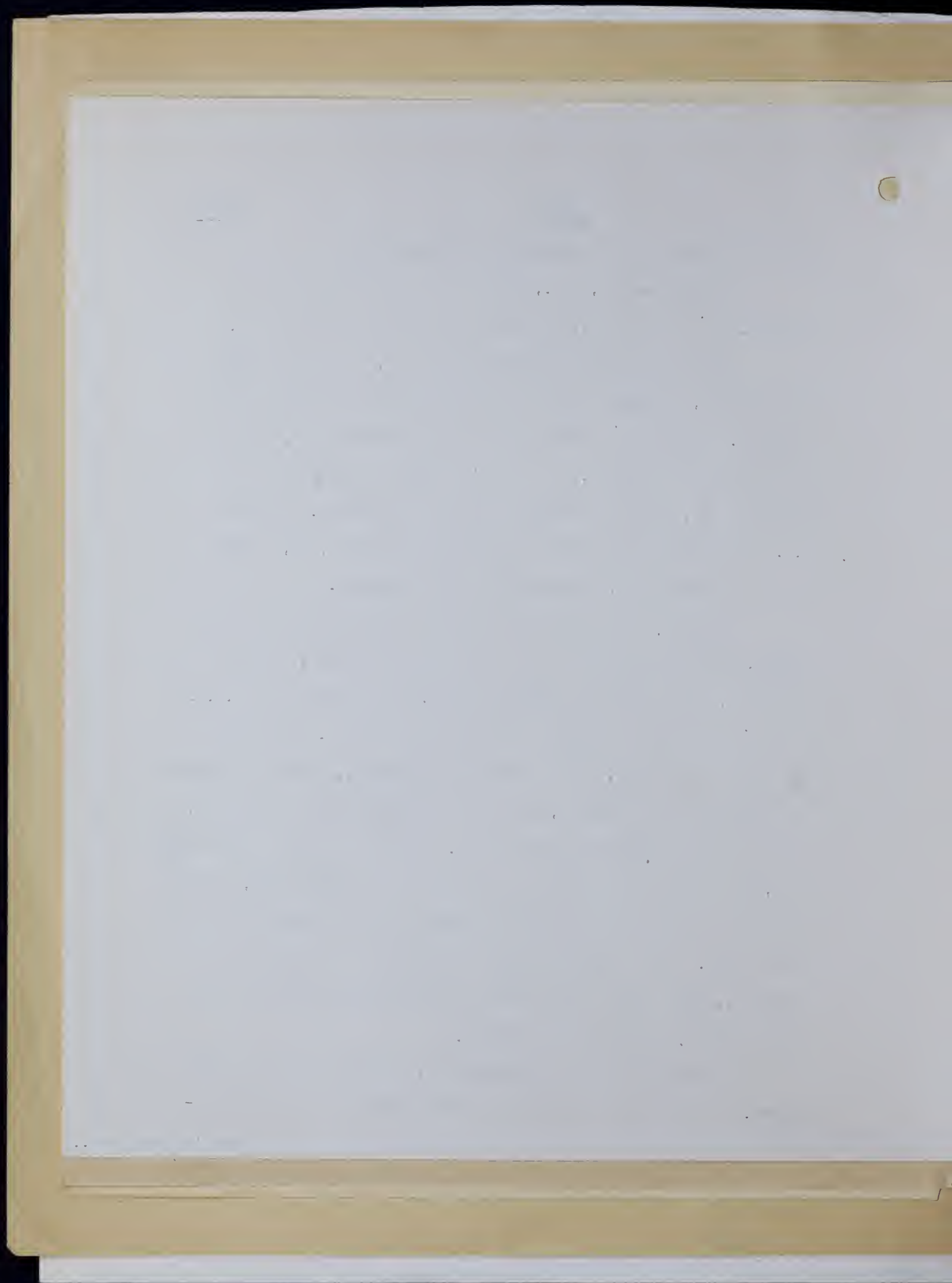
During the American Revolutionary war, he came out under General Howe, serving in all his campaigns until the close of the struggle. He had two brothers also in the army with him, one of whom returned to England, and the other settled somewhere in the United States, the exact locality not now being known. General J.M. Ashley, Republican member of Congress from Ohio, is, so far as can be ascertained, a descendant of this brother.

After the termination of the war, William Ashley came to Canada, and first settled in the township of Loborough, county of Frontenac, where he married Margaret Buck, the daughter of a U.E.L., and one of the first settlers in this part of Canada. He resided here until about 1790, when he removed to Kingston, where he followed the employment of a butcher, and was the first butcher in Kingston, a fact he often mentioned in his old age. He built a house of red cedar logs, cut from the spot, which continued to stand until 1858, when it was taken down and a small brick building, the "Victoria Hotel," built on the site. When removed the logs were found in a perfectly sound condition, they having been covered with clapboards many years ago, which preserved them from the weather.

This house stood on Brock Street, near the corner of Bagot street. At the time of its erection there were scarcely twenty re-

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sidences in the place, and that part of the city now lying west of the City Hall was then covered with a dense forest of pine, cedar and ash. William Ashley lived to see this pass away and a flourishing city spring up. He died in 1835, leaving a family of ten children--Margaret, Mary, Elizabeth, William, John, James, Thomas, Henry, Adam and George: all of whom are now dead excepting Thomas, who resides near Toronto.

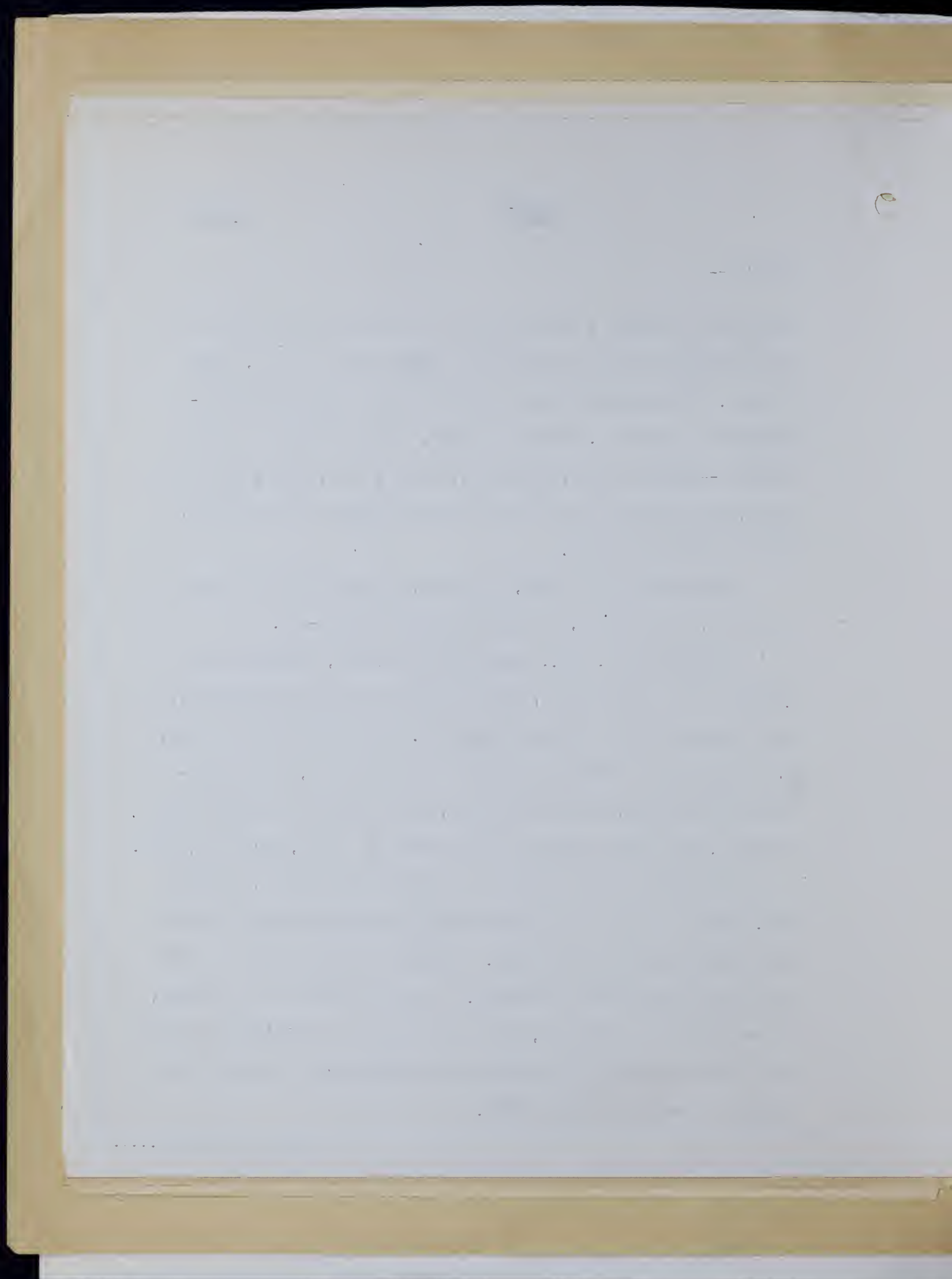
James also died in 1835, and Henry, who was the first gaoler in Picton, died in 1836, at the early age of thirty-one.

William Ashley, Jun., married Ann Gerollamy, daughter of an officer in the British army, serving through the Revolutionary War, and acting as Orderly in the war of 1812. He left Kingston in 1830, and resided until 1842 near the mouth of Black River, in the township of Marysburgh, and then returned, and continued to reside there, teaching, and filling various offices until his death, August 16, 1867.

The British Whig newspaper when recording his death, remarked, "Mr. Ashley was one of our oldest citizens, and has lived to witness many changes in his native place. He was born on the very spot where the British Whig office now stands." The last sentence is a mistake, he was not born in the city, but in the township of Loborough; although the building containing the British Whig office still belongs to the 'Ashley property' on Bagot Street."

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Ashley, William¹ = Margaret Buck¹ 6.7.1788

Simeon illegitimate son by Ruth Cottier²

→ William Henry² bp 25.9.1808

illegitimate son by Margaret Rombough³

→ Simeon³ bp. 24.6.1810

Elizabeth² = Jeremiah Wanker² 3.11.1811.

St George - William sp 16.3.1794, 21.2.1802, 17.12.1809

= Margaret sp 16.3.1794, 21.2.1802

→ William bp 16.3.1793

1798 per 16 = J. Fleming

Thomas bp 24.4.1798

1803 .. 16 = John Horning

Sp 17.1.1808

Lucretia sp 27.11.1803

Henry Frederick sp 10.9.1805

Adam bp 6.9.1807

Margaret bp 16.7.1809

Elizabeth sp 17.12.1809

George sp 17.1.1808 = Margaret Lloyd

→ Rebekah Frances

bp 18.2.1810

Joseph bur. 20.8.1812

Mary = 30.8.1808 James Bennett.

→ Wm Henry bp 16.7.1808

James^{bp} 7.7.1811

Harriet bp 7.7.1811

U. S. List 1

William 1

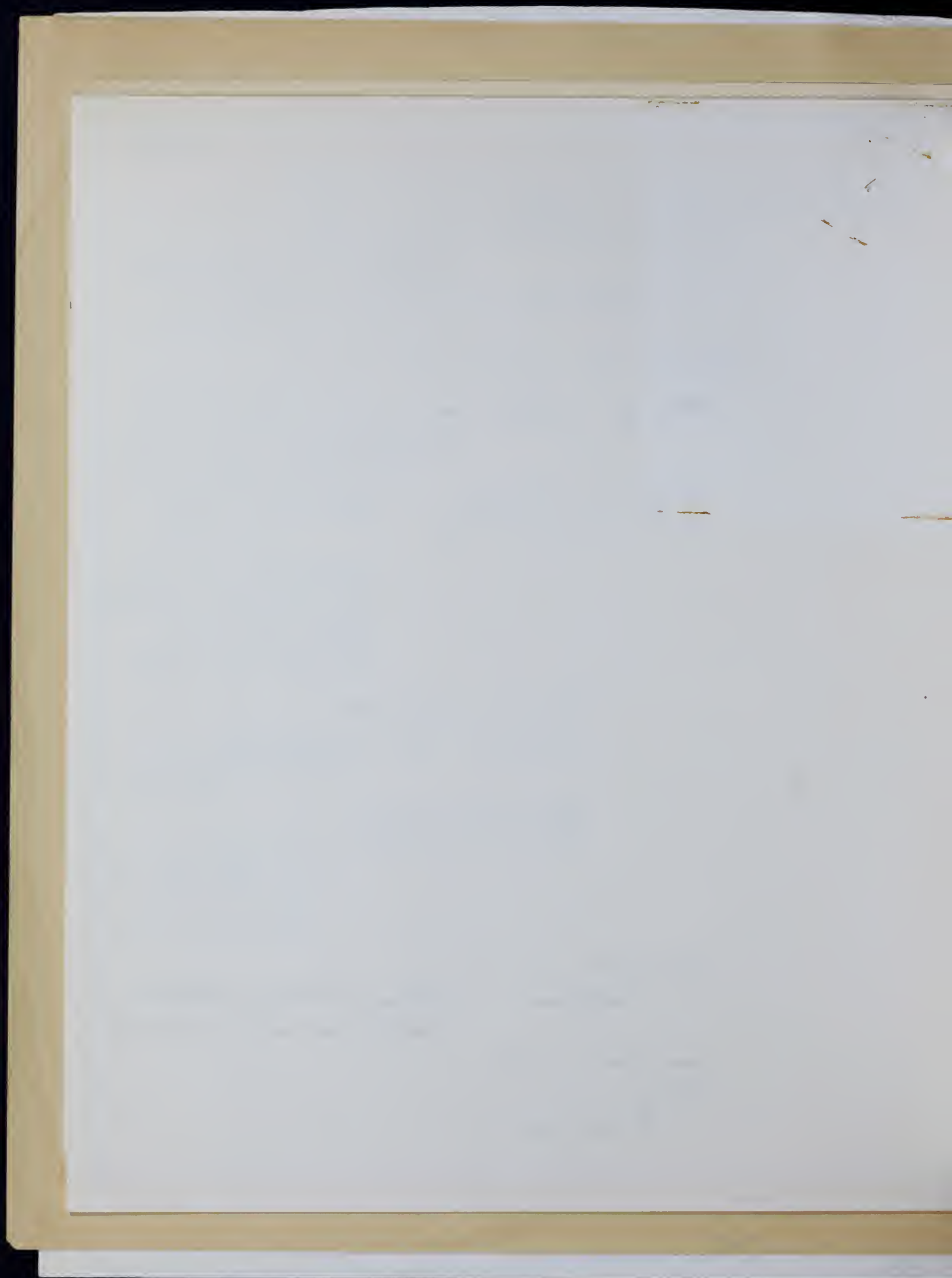
Soldier 34th Regt. p. Petition.

Not U. S. 200 acres. L.B.M. 1791

Loy. Claim - nil.

P.B.Q

Simeon p. 96



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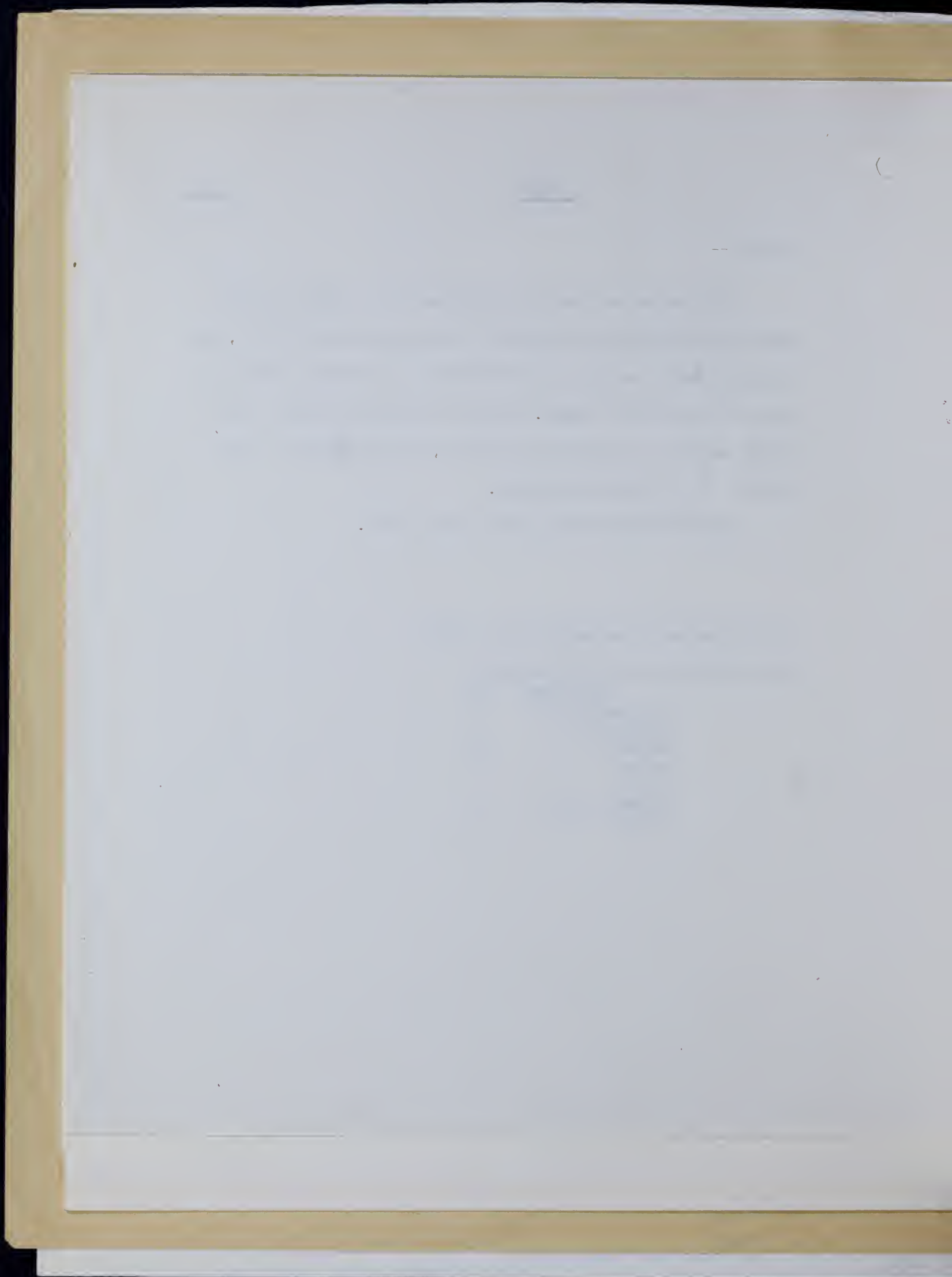
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John Ashley was gaolor in Kingston for a number of years when the gaol stood near the site of the present Post Office, and filled public situations from the time he was nineteen years of age until his death in 1858. He was a prominent member of the County Council for nearly twenty years, and was Colonel of the militia at the time of his death.

Adam and George Ashley both died in 1847.

Fredericksburgh Assessment Roll of 1808

Ashley, James	acres uncultivated	11
	cultivated	12
	houses rd. log	1
	assessment	-
	horses	2
	oxen	-
	cows	-
	horned carrle	-
	swine	1



L.B.Q

William 10.17.92 Praying for certificate for a lot he has improved. Ref. to Land Board for report.

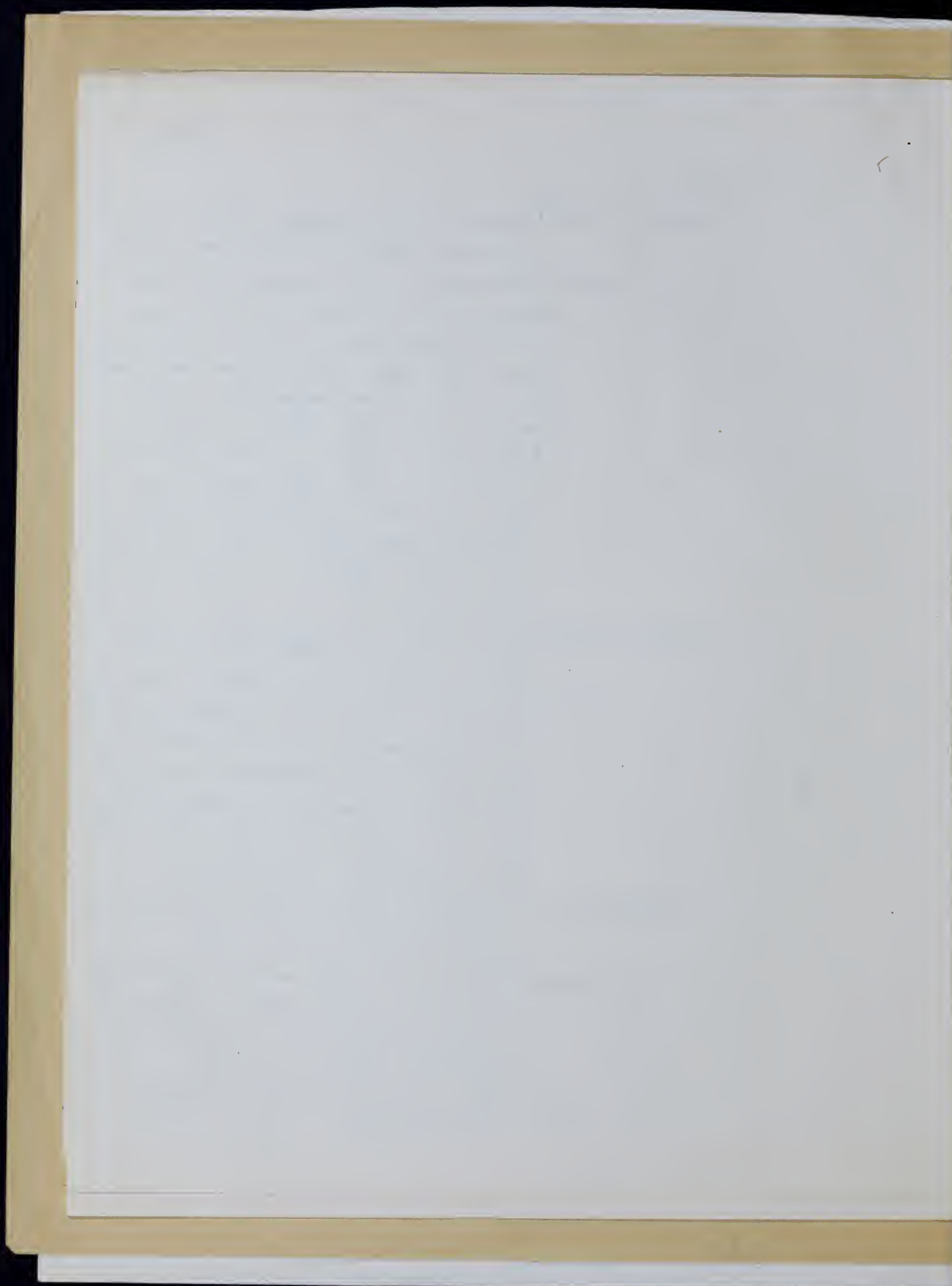
" 7.11.93, late soldier in His Majesty's 34th Regt: Petitioner being discharged at Quebec came into this Province with a recommendation to Mr. Collins, the Surveyor, who ordered him to take any unlocated land, which he did near his wife's father's, and having lived upon it near six years and cleared twenty acres and built a good house upon the same, but petitioner having no certificate prays that he may have a grant of the same. Ordered to be referred to the Surveyor General.

William 7.4.96 Stating that in the year 1787 Mr. John Collins directed your petitioner to take possession of a lot on Collins creek, or near to it which he has greatly improved and understands said lot is not claimed by the Rev. Mr. Stewart petitioner prays for 200 acres including his improvements. Ref. to the Dep. Surveyor of the district to hear the parties & report thereon.

William 11.11.97 Praying for family lands & lands as a military claimant. Rec. 550 acres to close all claims & including former grants.

" 12.22.97 Praying to be confirmed in the lot on which he resides, and for 100 acres in addition to complete his mil. lands & lands for a wife & 2 children. Ref to Surv. Gen. to direct Mr. Attkin to report on the merits.

" 6.6.98 Praying for a town lot in Kingston. Recommended.



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